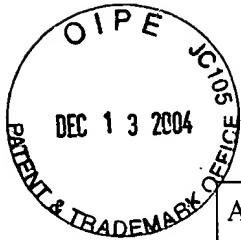


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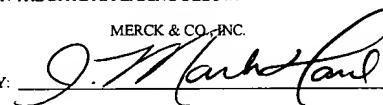
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Amendment to and Listing of the Claims begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 6 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings – None.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.